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CONDENSATES, AND USE THEREOF .**
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract are reflected on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.